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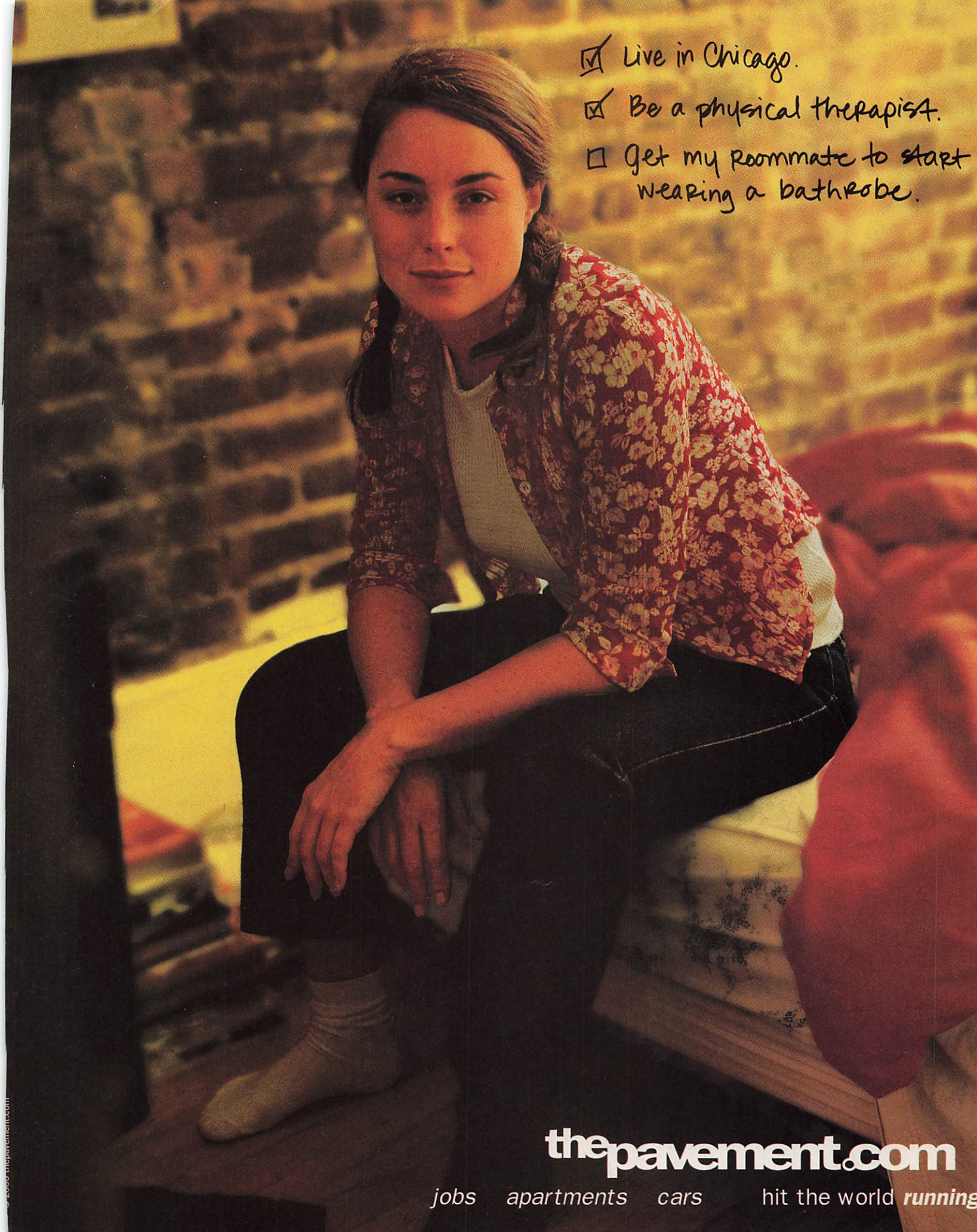
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This is the core of student resources. Make sure you install **FLASH** on your computer to benefit from all the features. Explore the **BOOKSTORE**, **LIBRARY**, **MEDIA CENTER**, **COLISEUM**, **ADMINISTRATION**, **COMPUTER CENTERS**, **CLASSROOMS**, **STUDENT CENTER**, **TRAVEL CENTER**, **ALUMNI CENTER**, **CAREER CENTER**, and **FINANCING CENTER**.

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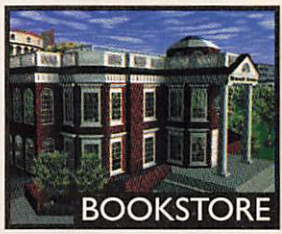


Buy the goods and services you want without leaving your dorm. Need a new college sweatshirt for winter or CD/DVDs? Visit the bookstore, where we'll be adding merchandise and services weekly. If you don't see what you want, let us know.

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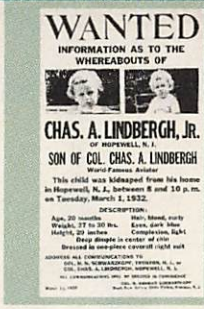
# March

The MARCH HARE came to life in the classic fairy tale *Alice in Wonderland* by Lewis Carroll (1832-1898), also known as Reverend Charles Lutwidge Dodgson, a mathematician at Oxford.

1932, the infant son of Charles and Anne Lindbergh was kidnapped from their family home near Hopewell, NJ **1**

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1991, in a case that sparked a national outcry, motorist Rodney King was severely beaten by Los Angeles police officers in a scene captured on amateur video. **3**

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## PAST AND PRESENT

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1857, the Supreme Court's Dred Scott decision held that Scott, a slave, could not sue for his freedom in a federal court.

Tom Arnold
March 6, 1959
Ottumwa, Iowa **6**

Mardi Gras begins

**7**

**International Woman's Day**

**8**

1841, a Supreme Court ruling freed the remaining 35 survivors of the *Amistad* and ensured their safe return Sierra Leone. **9**

Sharon Stone
March 10, 1958
Meadville, Penn.

Opening:
*The Next Best Thing* starring Madonna and Rupert Everett

**10**

1778, Lt. G. Enslin is the first U.S. soldier dismissed for homosexuality. **11**

1964, Malcolm X resigned from the Nation of Islam. **12**

1968, during the Vietnam War, the My Lai Massacre was carried out by U.S. troops under the command of Lt. William L. Calley Jr. **13**

Albert Einstein
March 14, 1879
Germany

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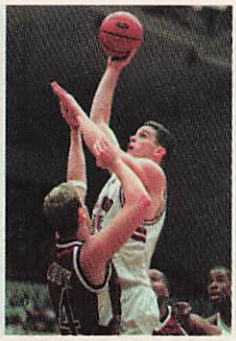

1868, the impeachment trial of President Andrew Johnson began in the U.S. Senate.

NCAA Basketball Tournament begins

**16**

**St. Patrick's Day**

Openings:
*Erin Brockovich* starring Julia Roberts

*The Ninth Gate* with Johnny Depp

**17**

1965, the first space walk took place as Soviet cosmonaut Aleksei Leonov left his Voskhod 2 capsule and remained outside the spacecraft for 20 minutes, secured by a tether. **18**

Bruce Willis
March 19, 1955
West Germany

**19**

**20**

1965, more than 3,000 civil rights demonstrators led by Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. began their march from Selma to Montgomery, Ala. **21**

Reese Witherspoon
March 22, 1976
Nashville, Tenn.

1972, Congress sent the proposed Equal Rights Amendment to the states for ratification. It fell short of the three-fourths approval needed. **22**

Keri Russell
March 23, 1976
Fountain Valley, Calif.

1989, the nation's worst oil spill occurred as the supertanker *Exxon Valdez* ran aground on a reef in Alaska's Prince William Sound and began leaking 11 million gallons of crude.

**24**

**25**

1979, the Camp David Peace Treaty was signed by Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin and Egyptian President Anwar Sadat at the White House.

72nd Annual Academy Awards **26**

**27**

1973, U.S. troops left South Vietnam, ending America's direct military involvement in the Vietnam War.

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1981, President Ronald Reagan was shot and seriously injured by John W. Hinckley Jr. Also wounded were White House news secretary James Brady, a Secret Service agent, and a District of Columbia police officer. **30**

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# CHART SMART

| | 1920's | 1930's | 1940's | 1950's | 1960's | 1970's | 1980's | 1990's |
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| GETAWAY | Newport Rhode Island | Paris | Havana | Buenos Aires | Acapulco | Florida | Hawaii | Thailand |
| HUNK | Rudolph Valentino | Errol Flynn | Gary Cooper | Cary Grant | Steve McQueen | John Travolta | Tom Cruise | Brad Pitt |
| BABE | Greta Garbo | Myrna Loy | Katherine Hepburn | Grace Kelly | Natalie Wood | Goldie Hawn | Michelle Pfeiffer | Julia Roberts |
| ON THE RADIO | Why Have You Forgotten Waikiki? | Silvery Moon and Golden Sands | How Deep is the Ocean | Havana Moon | Surfin' USA | Margaritaville | California Girls | Barflies at the Beach |
| AT THE MOVIES | Coney Island | Porky's Naughty Nephew | The Spiritualist | Some Like it Hot | Beach Party | 10 | Weekend at Bernie's | Point Break |
| ON THE DANCE FLOOR | The Charleston | The Jitterbug | Swing! | The Conga | The Twist | The Hustle | Break-Dancing | The Macarena |
| ON THE BOOKSHELF | The Great Gatsby | The Grapes of Wrath | The Fountainhead | On the Road | In Cold Blood | The Thornbirds | The Color Purple | The Lost World |
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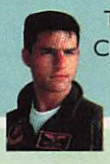


## Survey 2000 :YOU Decide

Who are the babes of the next decade? What dance will bodies be rocking to? Which song will **YOU** be humming at the beach? Voice your opinion at www.colleges.com. Look for the results in our April 2000 issue.

***These days personal home pages are simple to create.*** There are three elements in creating a home page: web design software, a camera, and a scanner. **You** don't even have to get the web-design software or suffer through a course in HTML or FTP (file transfer protocol) because Colleges.com has just added an online home page builder that's perfect for both the novice and the advanced web designer. It's free and also saves you additional costs that you would otherwise pay for server space. While you can certainly design home pages without using photos (or you can download images off the web and avoid the scanner altogether), you'll want to understand all of your options and how to use them.

## Follow These Easy Steps:

1. Go to http://www.colleges.com
2. Create an account.
3. Click on the home pages tab at the top of any colleges.com page.
4. Click on the **Start Here** link.
5. You'll be shown an example of a home page template. You can jump right in and starting editing/creating your page.
6. Follow the instructions for basic text insertion and lay out.
7. Are you ready to add your own photos? For these you need a scanner and/or digital photos.
8. While you don't need to know HTML for this program, advanced designers do have the option of using this language to supplement existing templates.

**NOTE:** If you've designed other home pages with separate web-authoring software, you can upload those pages to your free Colleges.com web space so that you and your friends have easy access to them.

## Scanner

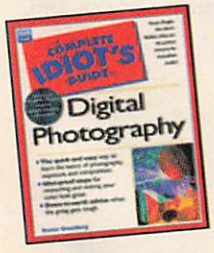
To add your own pictures to your web page, you'll need a flatbed scanner or digital camera. Scanners convert regular photos into digital images. Look for ones with at least 600 x 1200 pixels per inch. A perfectly acceptable scanner will run from $100 – $150.

## Photos

a. You can shoot pictures with a digital camera and transfer them directly to your computer.

b. You can take existing pictures/negatives/slides to a film developer and have them put on a disc for uploading to your web pages. Kodak has an online service ($5.95 a roll) that you can access at www.photonet.com

**NOTE:** You can create as many free home pages as you want. There are dozens of templates to choose from.




## Reference

*The Complete Idiots Guide to Digital Photography* by Steve Greenberg goes from beginning to advanced design. The book includes a CD with several software demos that might be of interest as you advance.

## *What's a megapixel?*

The resolution of the images/photos you're working with is measured in thousands of pixels per inch. For decent quality, look for 2 MB cameras. If you are getting a video camera (they often shoot both video and stills), try to pick a camera with three prisms which will produce better colors than cameras with less.

## *Internet sizing*

On the Internet – drop the resolution of your images down to 72 dpi. Otherwise the file will be too large and take too long to download.

## *Graphic Formats*

GIF.....*Graphics Interchange Format*
BMP.....*BitMaP*
JPEG.....*Joint Photographic Experts Group*

## AGFA ephoto smile

640 x 480 resolution. 2MB of internal memory holds up to 16 pictures, which you can transfer to a PC (but not a Mac) with the included serial cable ($130).

## Fuji MX-1200

1.3 million pixel CCD and resolution as high as 1,280 x 960 pixels ($299).

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## Tommy Hilfiger

Spring Break is as American as apple pie and Tommy Hilfiger's signature red, white, and blue fashions make getting dressed easy. Hilfiger fashions are fun, comfortable, and equally important — affordable. Hilfiger began his retail career in 1969 with $150 and 20 pairs of bell-bottom jeans. You weren't born yet — but don't hold it against him. Aside from his cool threads and product lines, why do we love this man? He sails, scuba dives, and skis, and is on the board of The Fresh Air Fund and The Race to Erase MS (multiple sclerosis).

**1...Bandana**, $18, **reversible bandeau top**, $28, **short-shorts,** $44.

**2...Pin-tuck boat neck top**, $32, **pin-tuck skirt**, $42.

**3...Button-down shirt**, $58, **tank**, $28, **swim shorts**, $42.

**4...Hockey jersey**, $48, **drawstring long shorts**, $54.

**5...Tube**, $32, **drawstring skirt**, $58.

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**6...Tank**, $34, **stretch skirt**, $48.

**7...Halter dress**, $68.

**8...Bikini top**, $32, **bikini bottom**, $30, **jean shorts**, $48.

**9...Tee**, $58, **denim shorts**, $48.

www.tommy.com

## Beachy-keen

Why schlep a towel *and* a beach sack when you can use this handy and affordable dual accessory? You'll not only be more stylish than anyone else on the beach, you will have saved yourself a double tote ($34.99) to order 213-749-4670 or fax 213-749-4671

## Maui moments

Capture your spring fling in this 4" x 6" Hawaiian print frame ($29). Gary's Island, 949-640-2371 or www.garysisland.com

## Tin can-can candles

Keep the smell of the islands burning long after you're back to the books. Toes on the Nose candles ($12) come in mango bay, orange passion, pineapple, coconut, and vanilla scents. Gary's Island, 949-640-2371 or www.garysisland.com

## Sling fling

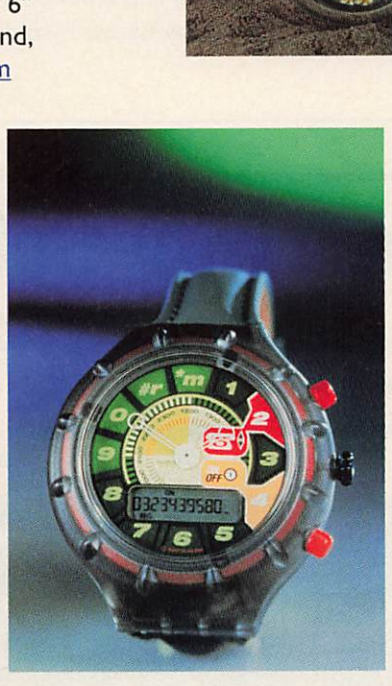
This Gap sling bag ($25) packs just what you need. With easy-access pockets for your sunglasses or cell phone, you're ready for anything. The Gap, 800-333-7899 or www.gap.com

## Spring break reading

Want a great Spring Break page-turner? Author Michael Crichton has done it again with another masterful work. Crichton's newest best-seller *Timeline* offers non-stop suspense as an intricate cast of characters travels through the Dordogne Valley, encounters Gladiators, and dips into the fanciful fantasy of time travel. *Timeline* will definitely add to your pleasure this Spring Break.

## Under the sea

Four little fishes swim around the bottom of this scenic mug ($9.99) while you kick back and watch the view. Bed, Bath & Beyond, 800-GO-BEYOND or www.bedbathandbeyond.com



## Swatchtalk wristwatch

A watch with a built-in phone (it even has a redial feature). Who could ask for anything more? Unfortunately, Swatch's sleek new tech toy won't be released in the U.S. until June ($300-$350) at Swatch stores. Just remember to turn it off if you go to the movies! 1-800-8SWATCH

## Xootr scooter

This high-performance folding scooter can carry its passenger at a swift 10-12 miles per hour. A great way to get around campus or around town. Lunar Designs ($489). Nova Cruz Products 888-353-4464.

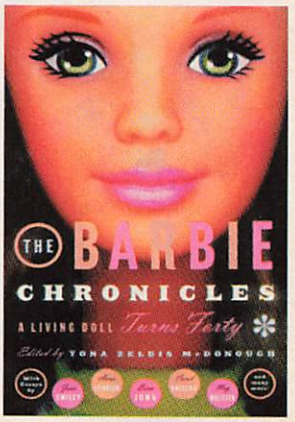
## Flip-flop shoes

Yes, they are comfortable! And as traditions go, nothing beats the old fairy-flipper for summer shoe service. Basketball "Fur Real" shoe, $33; violet "Oasis" thong, $24, by Sanuk. 949-794-8850 or www.sanuk.com

# A Moment in History

## BARBIE DOLL

Barbie just turned 40. The sexy little dolls that make children laugh, and some feminists cringe, are an 11 1/2-inch icon of American culture. She has gone from being a cute babe to a professional working woman. The incarnations of her development have given her new clothes, new hair-do's, new jobs, and even a new body. The original American Barbie was created by Ruth and Elliot Handler, and named after their daughter (later their little boy was immortalized with the creation of Ken). However, history be true, the original doll was actually inspired by a German doll "Lilli" who was a quasi-pornographic toy for men who needed such pastimes.




What better way to pass those balmy Spring Break hours than by reading the collection of twenty essays and several poems gathered by Vassar graduate, and Barbie defender, Yona Zeldis. *The Barbie Chronicles* allows for varying intellectual and emotional perspectives of the popular plastic toy. This is not frivolous reading — but a history lesson of American and World culture. Today, Barbie is sold in 140 countries, and made at a rate of two dolls a minute. Barbie is no dumb blond — she's a billionaire.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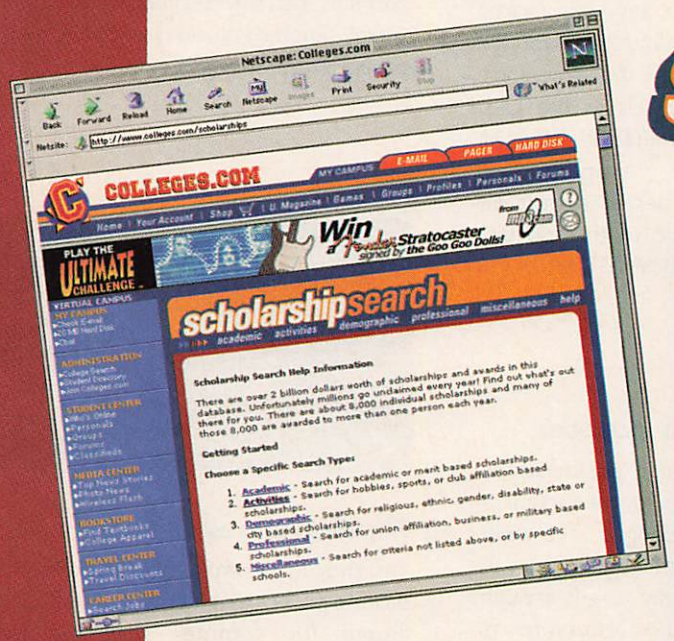


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# the number 3

**Who are the 3 sons of Adam and Eve?**
*Cain, Abel, and Seth*

**Who are the 3 gods of Hindu Trinity?**
*Brahma, Vishnu, and Shiva*

**Who are the 3 Furies?**
*Alecto, Megaera, and Tisiphone*

**What are Newton's 3 Laws of Motion?**

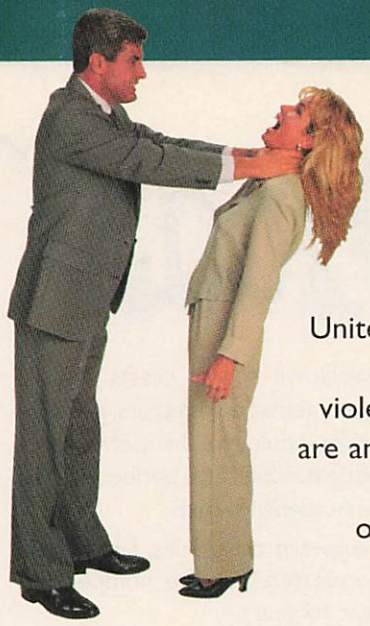
1. *An object in motion tends to stay in motion, and an object at rest tends to stay at rest unless compelled to change by forces impressed upon it.*
2. *The change of motion is proportional to the force impressed and is made in the direction of the straight line in which the force is impressed.*
3. *For every action, there is an equal and opposite reaction.*

**What were the 3 temptations of Christ?**

1. *To turn stone into loaves of bread to free himself when he is fasting. Jesus says, "Man does not live on bread alone but on every word that comes from the mouth of God" (Deuteronomy 8:3)*
2. *To throw himself down from the parapet of the Temple to prove he was the son of God. Christ refuses to use "magic tricks" to impress others (Psalms 91). Christ says to Satan, "You must not put the Lord your God to the test" (Deuteronomy 6:16)*
3. *To worship Satan in return for all the kingdoms of the world. Christ refuses the riches and says, "Get thee behind me Satan. You must worship the Lord your God, and serve him alone" (Deuteronomy 6:13)*

**Who are the 3 Musketeers?**
*Athos, Porthos, and Aramis*

**What are the 3 parts of the Freudian psyche?**
*Id, Ego, and Superego*



The No. 1 source of homicide in the United States is workplace violence. There are an estimated 250,000 occurrences per year.

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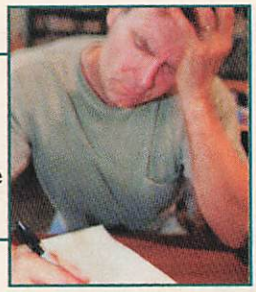
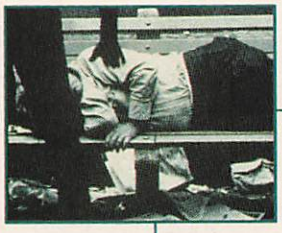
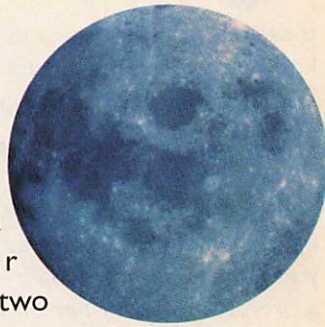
**Approximately 40 million American adults cannot read or write beyond the fifth grade level**





One in 100 Americans will be homeless at some point during the year 2000

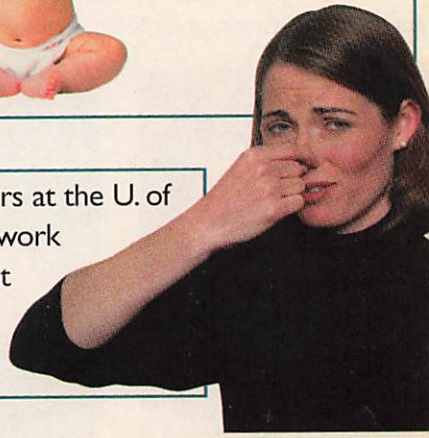
**SCIENCE (Blue, and other moons):**



- According to the Farmer's Almanac, if a calendar month has two full moons, the second is called a "Blue Moon," although it's not blue at all.
- The "Lenten Moon," considered to be the last full moon of winter, falls between Ash Wednesday and Easter.
- The first full moon of spring falls before Easter and is called the "Egg Moon."

**One in five American children live in poverty**

**LIFE:** Earth's six-billionth person was born in October



**UNIVERSITY RESEARCH:** A team of researchers at the U. of Illinois hired a group of women, at $15 per hour, to work sniffing pig manure. Scientists were hoping to find out what foods are responsible for making pig manure smell so rotten.

# Win the Oscar Pool

It's that wonderful time of year — Oscar! Oscar! Oscar! What will Gwyneth wear? Who will come with who? Who will go home with who? While all of those things might pique our interest, everyone knows that the best part of watching the Academy Awards is trying to predict the winners.

Many people, in fact, take part in a tradition known as the "Oscar Pool." An Oscar pool is not a pool that belongs to Oscar. It is a form of gambling, much like a football pool. Basically, you gather up a group up friends who all place a pre-set monetary bet on which films/actors you think are going to win, and the one who predicts the most winners gets the pot. Ten pals at $10 each=$100. Twenty betting buddies at $20 each=$400. You get it. It definitely makes watching the three- or four- hour program a lot more fun.

Right off the bat, let's make one thing clear: the most important element in winning an Oscar pool is to ignore your own opinions about who you *think* should win. Your opinions don't count for sqaut. You're not voting, so remember to not let your own thoughts influence the process.

Before we get to the nitty-gritty, here's a brief history of the awards of the Academy of Motion Pictures Arts and Sciences. First, the Earth cooled. Then the dinosaurs came, made sequels about eating small children, and died of shame from bad reviews and overblown special effects. Then a group of old actors, actresses, directors, and producers decided they should give themselves annual awards for being beautiful and perfect. And so they created the Academy Awards.

In most of the award categories, five people or films are nominated, but the number can change from year to year).

*Best Director: Spike Jonze for* ***Being John Malkovich****?*

You're probably wondering, "Who nominates these people and films?" The answer is: members of the Academy. "Who are these members of the Academy?" Well, it's complicated (and if you don't already know, you're never going to be one). Suffice it to say that they work, or have worked, in the film industry.

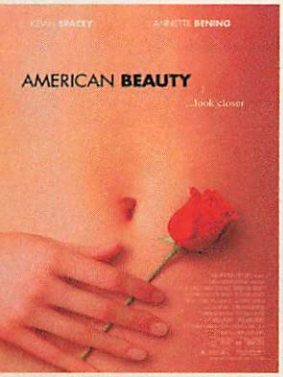
The more important question is, "How does the nomination process work?" The Academy is divided into branches (acting, directing, editing, writing, sound, and music). Every member belongs to one and ONLY one branch. So Barbra Streisand once had to decide whether she wanted to be in the music, acting, or directing branch.

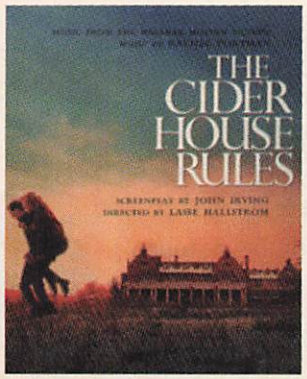
In January, each member of the Academy receives a ballot and nominates people/films in their branch. Music branch members nominate people for song and score, while actors only nominate actors. In mid-February, the top five nominees are announced in each category. The entire membership, not just the specific branch (unlike the nominating procedure) votes for the ultimate Oscar winner in each category. At the end of March the winners are announced at the Academy Award ceremony. You still with us? Just think of it this way: if actors can figure this all out, you can too.

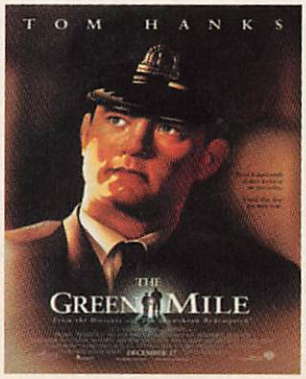
*Julianne Moore: Best Actress?*

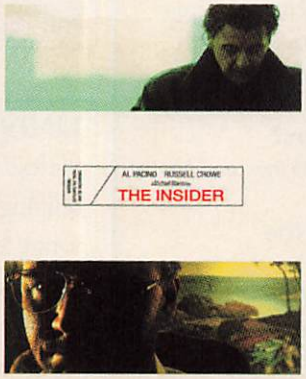
What difference does it make? Well, if you're gonna predict the Oscar winners, it helps to know who is doing the voting and how people get nominated in the first place. Most of the voters are old and feeble. And it's not totally a popularity contest, nor does it necessarily have to do with how much money the movie made. Rather, it's a combination of popularity, box office, artistic achievement, luck, sentimentality, bribes, and most importantly, marketing. And since actors make up the biggest branch, try to think like an actor throughout this whole process.

The best indicator of who's going to win a particular Oscar is to listen to the buzz to get a sense of who's "hot." Take Gwyneth Paltrow in 1998. She started popping up all over the place, and people had great things to say about her film. She had the buzz. She burst into movie



stardom. Compare that to fellow nominee Fernanda Montenegro. Who? Exactly.

So how do you figure out who has the buzz? We suggest the following:

§ **Read magazines.**
What actors are showing up on the covers?

§ **Visit prediction sites on the Internet.**

The Internet is a great place to find predictions, because there are a lot of losers out there who have nothing better to do than make elaborate predictions about whether the best Animated Short will be won by a piece of clay or a talking rock. By far, the best site to visit is the Unofficial Academy Awards Discussion Board.

It's important to visit these sites because the people who run them do the research you don't want to do yourself.

*The talented Mr. Law*

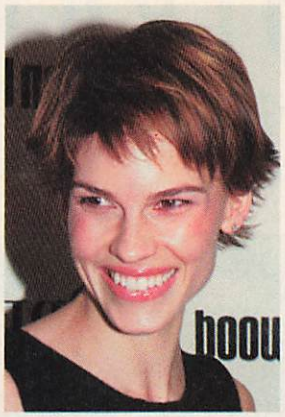
§ **See who's winning the pre-Oscar awards.**

The Academy is not the only organization that recognizes film excellence. There are other groups that present awards. By finding out what other groups like, you'll be able to get a sense of what has generally been accepted as "good" and what is considered a "bomb." Some of the groups that give out awards are the Chicago Film Critics, the National Board of Review, the New York Film Critics, and the Los Angeles Film Critics. The best recent indicator of who will win an Oscar is the Golden Globe Awards. While the people who select the nominees and winners are members of the foreign press, and is comprised of less than 100 people, it has nonetheless become eerily accurate in predicting both nominees and winners.

One general rule of thumb is the movie with the most nominations will win best picture, and only movies with best director nominations will have a shot at best picture. Yes, there are exceptions but you're playing the odds at that point.

§ **Actors get brownie points for gimmicky and flashy roles.**

Playing someone who is handicapped, a prostitute, a drag queen, a deaf-mute amputee, or an Eskimo is often rewarded at Oscar time, especially in the supporting categories. From Patty Duke (Helen Keller in *The Miracle Worker*) to Mira Sorvino (a hooker in *Mighty Aphrodite*), voters love unusual characters.


*Hilary Swank: Best Actress?*

§ **Period movies win the costume and art/set design awards.**

The movies that impress the voters most in these categories take place in the past, preferably in a foreign country. The flashier the better, those voters ain't subtle.

§ **Comebacks usually get rewarded.**
Anyone who is old and dying and/or has made a comeback gets special sympathy points.

§ **Whatever wins the best picture award will probably win a screenplay award too.**
Not always, but it usually stands that the best movie of the year is also the best written.

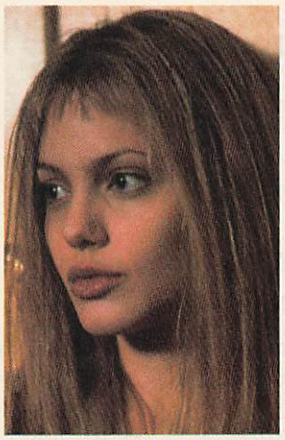
§ **The song that you heard most on the radio will win best song**
One of Newton's Laws that's never broken.

§ **Children's movies never win anything except music awards.**

They do get nominated — take for instance *E.T.*, *Babe*, and *Beauty and the Beast* — but they don't win.

So print up those ballots, grab some friends and get going.

One final tip: no one gives an award to the Academy Awards show itself – it's a long-haul evening — so make sure to order pizzas and munchies to keep up your strength!


*Angelina Jolie: Best Supporting Actress?*

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## Categories for Voting

Best Picture
Best Director
Best Actor
Best Actress
Best Supporting Actor
Best Supporting Actress
Best Original Screenplay
Best Adapted Screenplay
Best Foreign Language Film
Best Original Song
Best Original Comedy Score
Best Documentary Short Subject
Best Animated Short Film
Best Original Dramatic Score
Best Adapted Song Score
Best Cinematography
Best Editing
Best Costume Design
Best Art/Set Direction
Best Sound
Best Sound Effects Editing
Best Visual Effects
Best Makeup
Best Documentary Feature
Best Live Action Short Film

*Kevin Spacey and Annette Bening: Best Actor and Actress?*

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# Spring Break 2000

## The U. Guide to Sun, Suds & Fun

### Cancun

**Average hotel cost:** $500 per student for seven nights. Add in border insurance.

**Hottest party spot:** Señor Frog, La Boom, Coco Bongo. Don't miss the Foam Party or the Booze Cruise.

**Most popular hotel:** Oasis.

**Drink of choice:** Jose Cuervo and Sex on the Beach.

**What to do besides partying:** Parasail, jet ski, surf, visit the Mayan ruins, Jungle Cruise, buy cheap jewelry from street vendors.

### Daytona Beach

**Average hotel cost:** $100 per student for seven nights/package deal.

**Hottest party spot:** Holiday Inn Sunspree, GB Reefs, Razzles.

**Most popular hotel:** The Plaza Resort & Spa.

**Drink of choice:** Whatever is cheapest.

**What to do besides partying:** Sunbathe, naked water polo, and mini golf. Universal Studios and Disney World are close by.

### Panama City Beach

**Average hotel cost:** $130 per student for seven nights/package deal.

**Hottest party spot:** La Vela and Spinnaker win, hands down.

**Most popular hotel:** Edge Water.

**Drink of choice:** Beer is always good, cheap, and easy to get. Kamikaze shots and Sex on the Beach.

**What to do besides partying:** Bungee jump, beach volleyball, water sports. Try cage dancing while you're there.

### Key West

**Average hotel cost:** $140 per student for seven nights/package deal.

**Hottest party spot:** Sloppy Joe's, Margaritaville, Hog's Breath Saloon.

**Most popular hotel:** Breakers.

**Drink of choice:** Rum Runners and anything frozen, i.e., Margaritas.

**What to do besides partying:** Snorkel, fish, rent mopeds, visit Hemingway's house, bike tours of the island.

### Jamaica

**Average hotel cost:** $500 per student for seven nights.

**Hottest party spot:** Hurricane, Margaritaville.

**Most popular hotel:** Doctor's Cave.

**Drink of choice:** Rum punch.

**What to do besides partying:** Scuba diving, rafting, climbing the falls at Ocho Rios, cliff diving, visiting downtown Montego Bay and Negril's seven miles of beaches.

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# South Padre Island

**Average hotel cost:** $600 per student for seven nights.

**Hottest party spot:** Charlie's, Louie's.

**Most popular hotel:** Bahia Mar, Sheraton, Radison.

**Drink of choice:** Molson Ice. Light beer is a winner, too.

**What to do besides partying:** Tanning, swimming, visiting Mexico, recovering from your hangover.

# Palm Springs

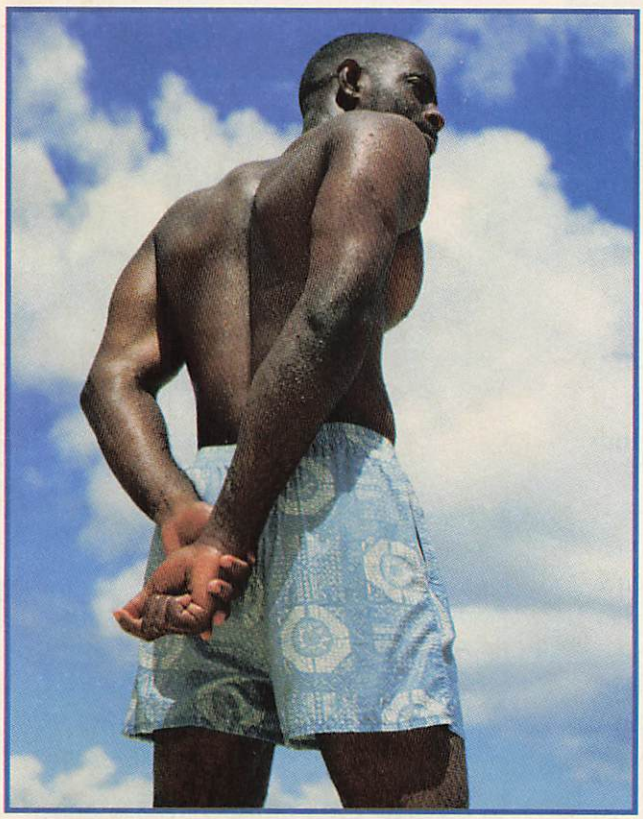
**Average hotel cost:** $79 - $109 per student for seven nights/package deal.

**Hottest party spot:** The Blue Tattoo, Village Pub, and Zeldaz.

**Most popular hotel:** Two Bunch Palms, Ballantines Hotel, Comfort Suites, Ramada Inn, and the Chase Hotel.

**Drink of choice:** Water — it's hot!

**What to do besides partying:** Rock climbing, hiking, golfing, and visiting the Palm Springs Walk of Stars.



# San Diego

**Average hotel cost:** If you don't mind roughing it, International Youth Hostels in downtown San Diego and Ocean Beach are $98-$140 per student for seven nights.

**Hottest party spot:** Moondoggie's, PB Bar & Grill, Tsunami Beach Club, Club Montage, Martini Ranch.

**Most popular hotel:** For class, it's the Hotel del Coronado, or for economy, try The Beach Cottages in Ocean Beach, and the Holiday Inn Express in La Jolla.

**Drink of choice:** Microbrew.

**What to do besides partying:** Sea World, San Diego Zoo, Balboa Park (San Diego's hub of art and culture).

# Las Vegas

**Average hotel cost:** $79 - $109 per student for seven nights/package deal.

**Hottest party spot:** The Beach, Ra, Studio 54, the Hard Rock Hotel, and the Voodoo Lounge.

**Most popular hotel:** The Tropicana, Hard Rock Hotel, Excalibur, Treasure Island, and New York, New York. All are reputable hotels with good access to the Strip.

**Drink of choice:** Martini - hey, it's Vegas, baby!

**What to do besides partying:** The motto in this town is, "Up all night, sleep all day." If you're not a gambler, soak up quality shopping at the Forum Shops at Caesar's Palace, or look into a day-long snowboarding or skiing trip.

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# Salma Speaks

1. Did you go to college?
I went to the Universidad Iberoamericana in Mexico City. My major was International Relations.

2. What are your favorite getaways?
Acapulco and Veracruz.

3. What dreams haven't you yet fulfilled?
I want to have children.

4. What is the most important quality in a woman friend?
Loyalty.

5. What is the most important quality in a male friend?
Loyalty.

6. If you could meet any person, living or dead, who would it be?
Jesus Christ.

7. What is your favorite book, record, movie?
I don't have any favorites. I listen to all kinds of music, read all kinds of books, and enjoy all different kinds of films.

8. Where was your first kiss?
In Coatzacoalcos, Mexico. When I was 15. I was a late bloomer.

9. What is the most important lesson you would hope to pass on to your own children?
To be him/herself–which isn't always easy because first you have to find out who you are.

10. What don't people know about you?
We could write a book about this one. The truth is I'm still finding out a lot of things about myself.

## ACTING CREDITS:

Chain of Fools (2000)
Time Code (2000)
Dogma (1999)
No One Writes to the Colonel (1999)
Wild Wild West (1999)
54 (1998)
The Faculty (1998)
Frida (1998)
The Velocity of Gary (1998)
Breaking Up (1997)
Follow Me Home (1997)
Fools Rush In (1997)
The Hunchback (1997)
Quien Diablos Es Juliette? (1997)
Fled (1996)
Four Rooms (1996)
From Dusk Till Dawn (1996)
Desperado (1995)
El Callejon de los Milagros (1995)
Fair Game (1995)
Mi Vida Loca - My Crazy Life (1994)
Roadracers (1994)
The Sinbad Show (1993)
Teresa (1989)

## UPCOMING PROJECTS:

**TIME CODE:** April 28, 2000
An affair, a murder and a mystery. Salma Hayek plays an aspiring actress in this soon-to-be-released film by acclaimed director Mike Figgis.

**CHAIN OF FOOLS**: Summer 2000
Someone (a barber to be exact) is having a rotten day. So bad, he plans to end it with suicide. We won't tell you how it ends but we know that before sunset he has the good luck to run into Sgt. Meredith Kolko (Hayek's character).

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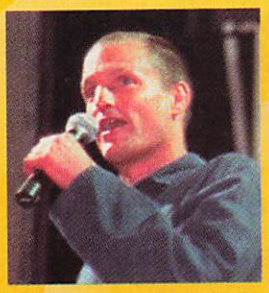

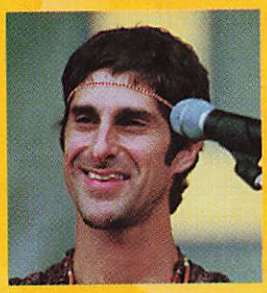

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# WRITING A *Love* LETTER

One of the best ways to convey exactly how you feel about someone is through written words. Finding the perfect way to say what you mean — when it comes to love — can be a challenging task for anyone. So, we've gathered some helpful tips. Go ahead; spill your heart onto a piece of paper. Whether through a one-line sentiment, a poem, or some prose — let 'em know how you feel!

## *Tips for writing your own love letter*

Make it personal. Writing a love letter is a dying art. So if you're going to say it — mean it! Express your gratitude for the person being in your life.

- Include any special nicknames that the two of you share.
- Be specific. What are the things that he/she does to make you starry-eyed? Is it the way he gets a little teary at a sad movie? Is it the way she can't wake up without her green tea?
- Include memories of specific times you spent together. Let him/her know what they meant to you and why.
- Whether you're sending it by mail or delivering it to them personally, hand-write it. Typed letters are sterile. If you are even thinking about e-mail, then do something creative like designing a personalized "home page" love letter. You can get free templates at Colleges.com.

## *Love Quotes*

People have been writing about love for centuries. Love quotes can capture exactly how you feel about your sweet in just a few words. Make up your own, or borrow a few of these to add to your letter.

"Those who love deeply never grow old." *~Anonymous*

"Love does not consist in gazing at each other, but in looking together in the same direction." *~Antoine de Saint-Exupery*

"For an instant, love can transform the world." *~Anonymous*

"It's not being in love that makes me happy. It's being in love with YOU that makes me happy." *~Anonymous*

"If there is anything better than to be loved, it is loving." *~Anonymous*

"Did I tell you today how much I love you?" *~Anonymous*

## *Creative Expression*

Think a letter is too boring? Here are 10 ways to get your message across and have it remembered.

1. **Write your message in magnetic letters on their refrigerator.**
2. **Create a Letter Hunt.** Leave a note on his/her computer telling him/her you have written him/her a love letter, but it has to be found. Give a clue. Clue to clue to clue. Make your lover search for the prize.
3. **Send your love roses according to how many letters he/she has in their name.** On each flower, attach a note that uses the letters of their name, as the first letter of the message. For example: "Sean." The first rose could say, "**S**ometimes I get starry-eyed when I look at you." The second, "**E**verything you do makes me happy." And so on.
4. **Book of Love.** Put together a book of ten pages — each page for some unique thing you love about him/her.
5. **An audio tape letter.** A cassette tape with your voice on it is an unexpected surprise.
6. **Letter a day.** Write your love a letter every day for a week and leave it in a place it will be found.
7. **Write your loved one in a different language.** He/she will have to get it translated, which will make their investment in the letter special.
8. **Write a ransom note.** Ransom an object of your lover's and leave a note saying you'll return it only after a romantic evening together.
9. **Run a bubble bath for your love.** Put a note inside a bottle and leave it floating in the water.
10. **Hidden notes.** Hide little love notes in your lover's pockets, wallet, bag, or desk for them to find later.

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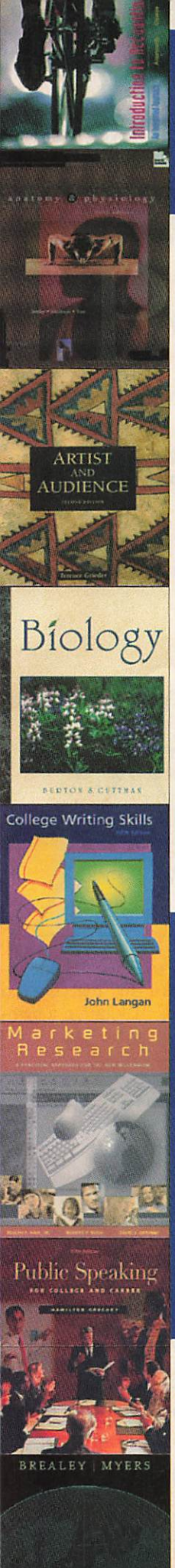


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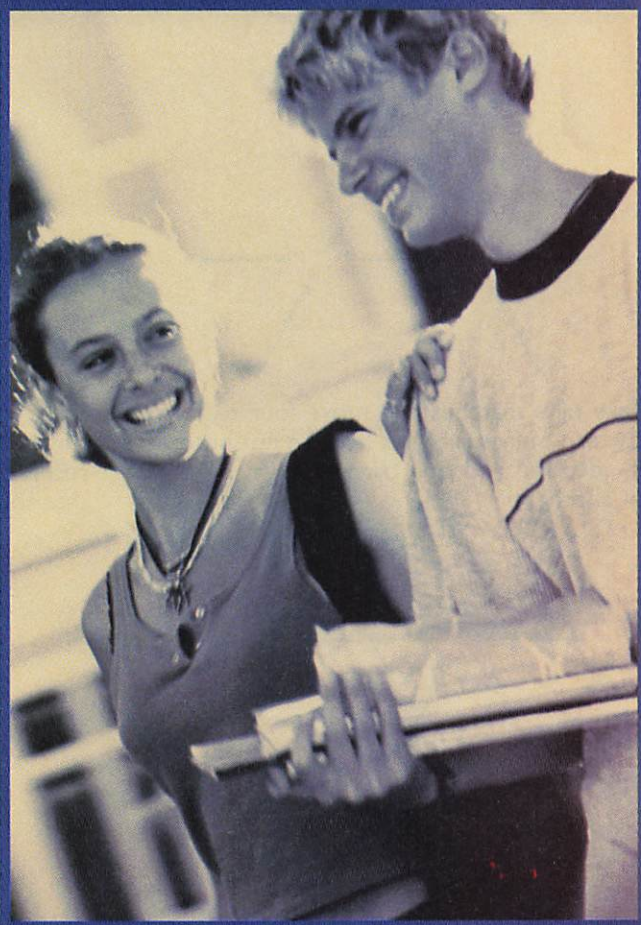

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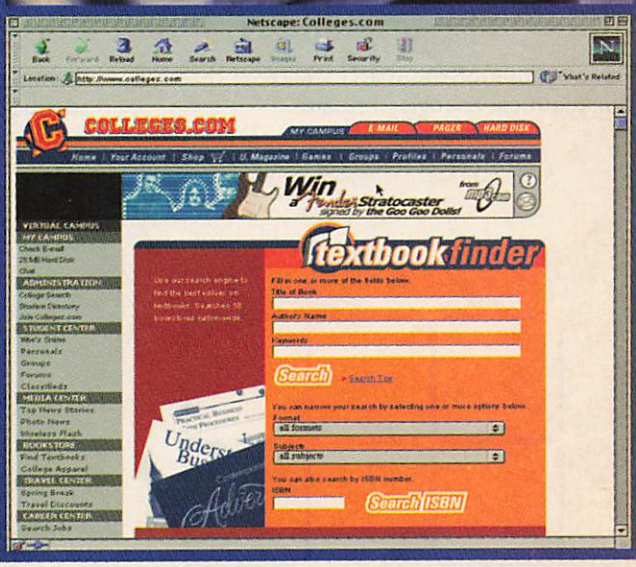


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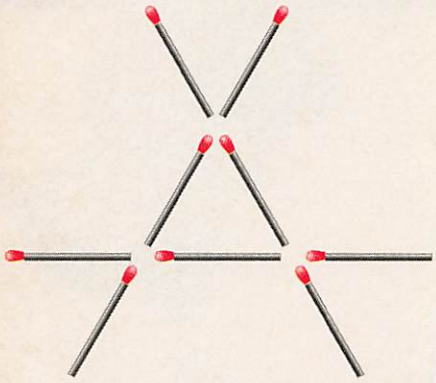

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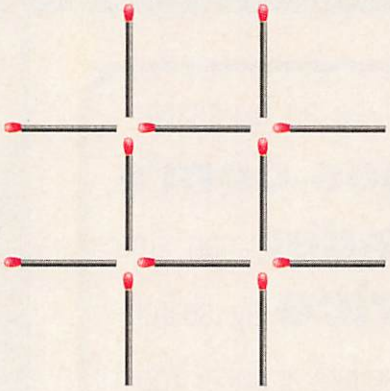

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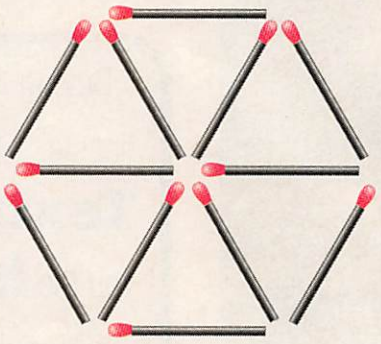
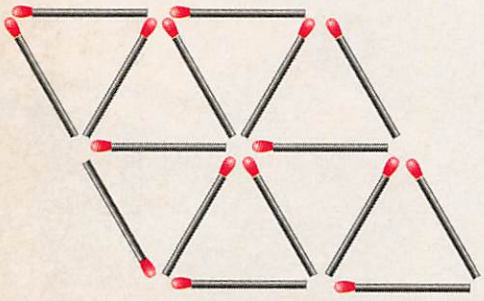


First, move four matches to make three equilateral triangles. Second, move four matches to make four identical diamonds.



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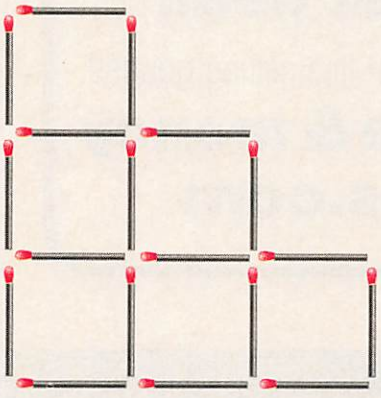
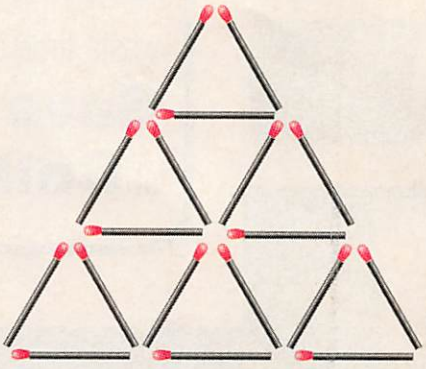
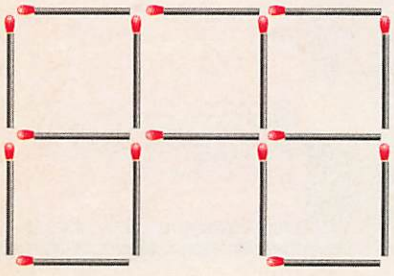


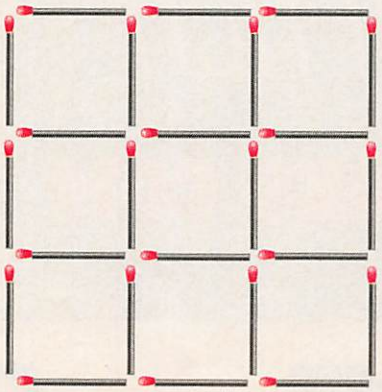
Remove six matches so that you have three identical squares remaining.



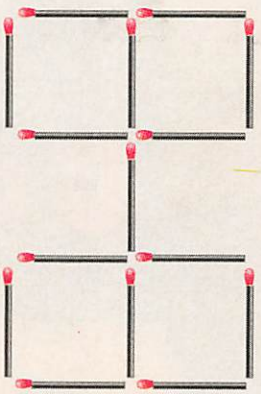
First, remove five matches to leave five identical triangles. Second, move six matches to form six identical diamonds making up a symmetrical star shape.



Move three matches to form a new pattern consisting of four identical squares in contact.



1) Remove four matches, leave five identical squares. 2) Remove six, leave five squares. 3) Remove six, leave three squares. 4) Remove eight, leave four squares. 6) Remove eight, leave three squares.



Move two matches to form an array of five identical squares.

ANSWERS:

# UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI

The University of Miami thinks of itself as a major research center set in a tropical garden. It's one of only 26 private universities to operate both a law and a medical school. Founded in 1925 by developer George E. Merrick, the campus now has students representing all 50 states and more than 100 nations. Situated on 260 acres, UM offers an exceptionally diverse academic range as well as an idyllic physical environment.

## FAMOUS ALUMNI:

Gloria Estefan, Sylvester Stallone, Charles Grodin, Ray Liotta, Dante Fascell (U.S. Congressman), Bruce Hornsby, Michael Irvin (Dallas Cowboys), Vinnie Testaverde (N.Y. Jets)

**WHERE:** Coral Gables, Fla.

**PHONE:** 305-284-2872.

## MAIN CAMPUSES:

**Coral Gables Campus:** Two colleges and ten schools in Central Coral Gables.

**Medical Campus:** The campus includes the Jackson Memorial Medical Center and also houses a Veteran's Affairs Center, a Diabetes Research Institute, and the Ryder Trauma Center. Two university-owned hospitals and other medical facilities are nearby.

**Rosenstiel Campus:** School of Marine and Atmospheric Science situated on the waterfront on Virginia Key in Biscayne Bay.

**South Campus:** Opened in 1986, this 136-acre site was established for research and development projects.

**STUDENT ENROLLMENT:** There are 110 undergraduate, 100 masters, and 60 doctoral and professional areas of study. Approximately 1,800 BAs are awarded yearly, along with 1,100 masters, 480 JDs, 155 MDs, 126 Ph.Ds, and 23 other doctoral degrees.

**BUDGET:** The 1999-2000 budget was $893 million, $510 million of which was designated for the medical campus.

**RESEARCH:** $175 million.

**FACULTY:** 96% hold doctorates.

**STUDENT-FACULTY RATIO:** 13 to 1.

**STUDENT BREAKDOWN:** Female 54%, male 46%. White 56%, Hispanic 25%, Asian/Pacific Islander 7%, Black, non-Hispanic 11%, other 1%. There's no representation by the Native American population.

**STUDENT APPLICATION PROCESS:** Freshmen: 12,264 applicants a year; 6,752 accepted, 1,858 enrolled.

**RESIDENCE:** Approximately 3,250 students live on campus, including 72% of all freshmen. UM has five residential areas as well as on-campus apartments.

**CLASS SIZE:** Over 50% of undergraduate classes have 14 or fewer students. Over 75% have 25 or fewer students.

**SPORTS:** UM is a member of the Big East Conference. You name it, they play it. The school has won several NCAA championships in baseball and football. UM is also noted for its women's golf and swimming teams.

**COMPUTING FACILITIES:** The Ungar Computing Center is equipped with an IBM 9672-R42 Enterprise Server, and several other systems that include over 60 computer labs located in libraries, colleges, and residential areas. The University has its own campus network, including connections with national and international network access in each dorm room.

**LIBRARIES:** The central facility holds over 2 million volumes and 16,000 subscriptions, along with 3.5 million microfilms. It has access to 463 electronic journals.

## SPECIAL PROGRAMS:

- Selected freshmen are guaranteed admission to one of UM's graduate or professional schools.
- Over 1,500 students participate in one of the more than 50 optional Honors programs.
- The school offers 50 international programs in 24 countries.

## ANNUAL TUITION:

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| Undergraduate | $20,960 |
| Graduate School | based on $852/credit hour |
| Law School | $22,640 |
| Medical School | $35,670 |
| Room | $4,422 |
| Board (meals) | $3,358 |
| Miscellaneous Expenses | $2,928 |

## VOLUNTEERISM:

Jenny Lee, a UM sophomore, takes time from her studies of business management and computer information systems to help educate others about the long-term damage caused by smoking. Jenny is the youngest member on the Board of Directors of the American Legacy Foundation (Legacy). Legacy is the national organization formed after the $206 billion settlement with the tobacco industry. The organization helps educate youth about the dangers of smoking, which claims more than 400,000 lives in the U.S. each year. Jenny says her involvement in anti-smoking campaigns rose from the fact that her father is a long time smoker. Her volunteerism includes work with Florida's "Truth" campaign, where she helped organize the "Truth Train" that traveled from Pensacola to Miami and featured concerts by LFO and N'Sync. In high school, Jenny was student body president, junior class president, and prom queen. She also participates on UM's crew team. Kudos!

"Steven Noel is dead. He died of an aneurysm in California on June 4, 1999."

That's what the e-mail said. The message hit me with unexpected force. It was as though a relative had died.

I didn't know Steve Noel as a close friend. In 1992 he was one of an older group that, in the minds of Black and Latino freshmen males, were larger than life. Steve's crew — a handful of men of color — were seniors; they were the ideal; they were our guides. And whether they knew it or not, we adopted them as such. Steve was one of the guys we adopted.

We intended to become big men on campus, so we watched Steve and his friends, hoping to learn the ropes. Nothing about these guys seemed familiar. Personally, growing up in Brooklyn, I had specific models of men of color. In my neighborhood, guys could always be seen fighting each other, disrespecting each other, or killing each other. As sure as the sun came up, one of those three things would happen before sundown. At Vassar, I saw an alternative reality. Thanks to Steve and his friends, I saw peace, trust, and camaraderie among men.

**I didn't expect Steve to die when he did. Like most people, I think I'm going to be here for a while — even now, I'm designing plans for well into my middle-age — and I'm counting on having those who I want around, around.**

I inherited the following rules from my neighborhood: Rule #1: Never let your guy friends know who you're dating. Your guy friends and girlfriends don't mix. If they do, they'll do some mixing behind your back.

Rule #2: Always wear a front. Never look like you're soft. Guys take it as weakness. Act soft and you can bet that your mettle will be tested.

Rule #3: Restrict physical contact with guys to the playing court. If you're playing a sport, then touch is allowed. Off the court, hug a guy for too long and homophobic minds will label you as gay.

At Vassar, Steve's crew broke those rules and then some. They brought their dates around their guy friends and nothing disrespectful grew out of it. Furthermore, these guys smiled. They didn't keep macho fronts between them. They were multidimensional. And this last thing blew my mind — they could be seen at Walker Field House getting physical on the court and then in the College Center hugging. I can't even count how many times I saw them at a party with one arm around a date and the other around a close male friend. The guys I grew up with would have been shocked by these displays. The kid in me was awestruck. I'd think, "This is how guys should get along."

Those who have not grown up with Black-on-Black male violence as the norm may not be able to fully comprehend how significant these images were. Before Vassar, I had known, for the most part, just one way of being with other men. At Vassar, there was Steve — a living model of an alternative reality.

A year or so after Steve graduated, I heard he was trying to start an independent publishing company. I smiled and filed that away thinking, "Good for him. He's trying to move out of his current reality into a chosen, more desirable one. He sees what he wants and he's going for it." That's when the connection clicked. Before Vassar, I was living one reality. At Vassar, Steve's way of being represented a more desirable reality. As a freshman, I decided that his type of camaraderie with other men was what I preferred for myself. I spent the next four years making that happen.

A lot of people credit their education solely to their professors or textbooks, but someone can teach you something without saying a word. The way a person interacts with other people is a method of teaching; a person's way of being can be more eloquent than any book.

I told myself, "When the time is right, I'm going to tell Steve how he and his friends influenced me and my freshmen friends." I was going to explain how I felt he opened a door for us. I could have e-mailed that to him, but I never did. Instead, I said, "I'll wait for the right time." Unfortunately, I learned there is never a "right time"; you have to make the time.

I didn't expect Steve to die when he did. Like most people, I think I'm going to be here for a while — even now, I'm designing plans for well into my middle-age — and I'm counting on having those who I want around, around.

Recently, one of my classmates said, "If Steve had lived longer and found out what he meant to us, I think he would have been honored."

In reality, he didn't live longer. He will never find out how pivotal he was to some of us. His example, though, will live on — not in a book or through a lecture, but in how a handful of freshman males who are now out in the world choose to interact with other men. And like most of us, he probably couldn't see that just by living his life, he had dropped a pebble in a lake...and the ripples went out and washed over those he didn't even know were watching.

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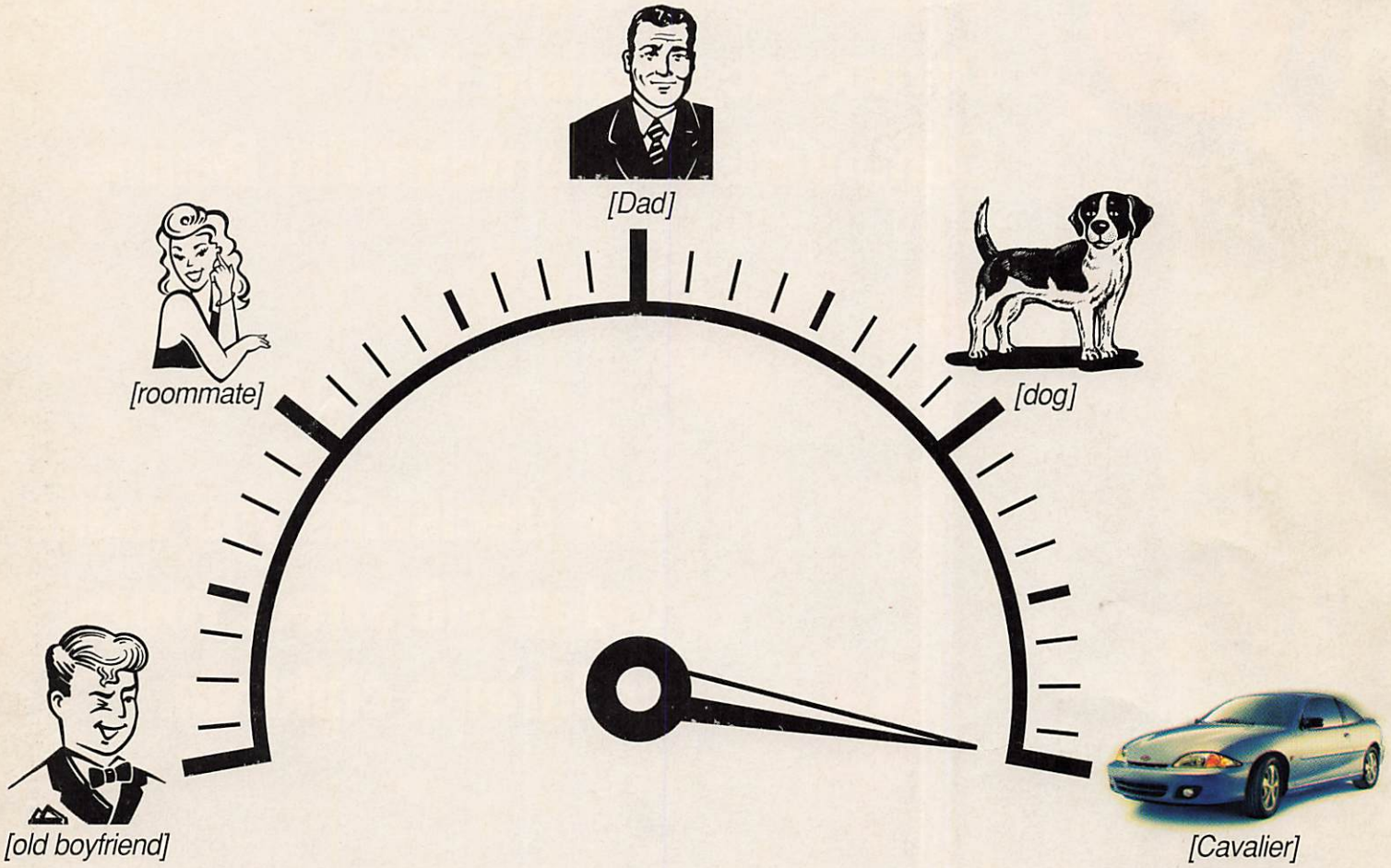


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